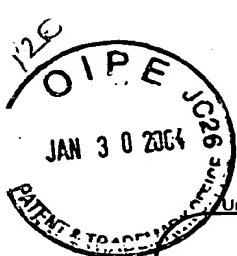


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# Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	09/310,638
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Art Unit	1632
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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Copy of IDS Citation

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

- The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to
- a. ☐ Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_
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- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 1,390.00 enclosed  
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- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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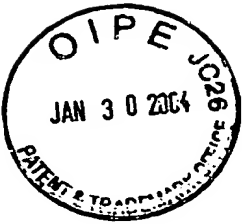
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 20, 2002  
FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION  
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FILED WITH A CORRESPONDING  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R.  
§1.114 AND PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby submit this request for continued examination ("RCE") including an Amendment In Response To December 20, 2002 Final Office Action And Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") in connection with the above-identified patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a), prior to abandonment of the application, an applicant may file an RCE of an application including the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) so as to file a submission such as an amendment to the claims or an IDS.

A Final Office Action was issued on December 20, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the December 20, 2002 Final Office Action was originally due March 20, 2003. Applicants filed a Petition For A Three-Month Extension Of Time and a Notice of Appeal on June 20, 2003. The

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Notice of Appeal was received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 24, 2003. Applicants attach hereto as **Exhibit A** a copy of the return postcard stamped with the date June 24, 2003 by the Office of Initial Patent Examination ("OIPE") of the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Therefore, an appeal brief was due on August 24, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status. The required fee for a five-month extension of time is \$1,005.00 for a small entity and applicants enclose a check which includes this amount. With a five-month extension of time, an appeal brief was due January 24, 2004. However, since January 24, 2004 was a Saturday, a response filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday, i.e. Monday, January 26, 2004, is considered timely under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. In lieu of filing an appeal brief, applicants are filing an RCE in order to submit this Amendment and a Supplemental IDS. Accordingly, this RCE, Amendment and IDS are being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows: